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SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION

NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 NO.6 13th March 2012

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**Monday is a Student Free Day
– Curriculum Day for Staff**

**Permission Forms and payment for
the Cluster Aquamoves Day needs to
be in before 15th March.
EXCURSION – NEW DATE**

**Could all families please donate an
Easter Egg/chocolate/Easter goods to
make up the raffle prizes**

Hi everyone,

This week, we have invited Wunghnu PS to utilise our extra classroom space as a result of the flooding which has occurred recently. The children and staff from Wunghnu will also join in on some of the programs which occur at our school and we hope their short time here is enjoyable. During times like this it is essential that communities bond together and I am sure that our children, parents and staff will support our visitors in their time of need. There have been some real interruptions lately – we have had two 3 day weeks (flooding) and this week is also a 3 day week when you take into account the Labour Day Holiday and the Cluster Excursion which is on Thursday – please no more rain!!!!!! Next week, will be a 4 day week because of the **Curriculum Day** on Monday also. We hope that things are back to normal very soon.

Information regarding the **Athletic Sports** is included in this edition of the newsletter. As always, we are after parent helpers for this day so if you can assist in any way please let us know – **Hurdles / Year 9 Girls Group**. Times for specific events have also been included for families wishing to watch their children throughout the day. The **Easter Raffle** is on again – apologies for the short time frame for this. If families could donate something for this raffle it would be really appreciated – this will be drawn on the last Thursday of school (Munch N Crunch Day). We also need to finalise numbers for the **Grade 5/6 Camp to Queenscliff**, so could parents take this into consideration as well before the end of the week.

This Friday, there is a **Community Stroll** starting at 6.00pm at A.R. Larsen Reserve in regard to the Tallygaropna Community Plan. There will be officers from the local shire in attendance during this time and a BBQ will be provided. This would be a good time for the parents to discuss any flooding issues or other matters in regard to improving the community of Tallygaropna.

Karen will be in the office until Thursday this week, if any matters need addressing. Have a great week everyone.

David Brodie – Teaching Principal

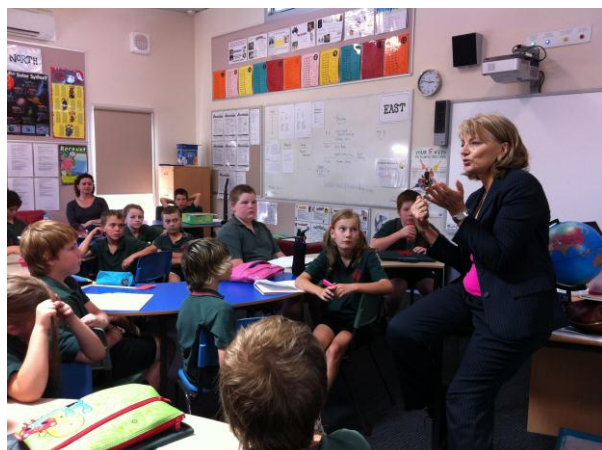
**If you would like to receive this newsletter by email contact our office.
An alternative is to go to our school website.**

There are late arrivals, early departures and visitor's books that need to be signed at the office counter if the need arises (i.e.: when parents are hearing reading or helping with a Munch & Crunch lunch or if students are taken out of school early). This will aid our emergency management of the school.

**If your child/ren is having an ordered lunch on Friday, please make sure that the order and money is put into the yellow tub in the Project Room.
Orders before Friday can go in the green box – which is in the office.**

1. Sharman Stone Visit

Last Thursday afternoon, Sharman Stone and her assistant Mary visited our school to talk to our students about the community – people who help us and her role in Parliament. This was extremely relevant given the flooding situation that has occurred recently. During this time, we took the opportunity to show Sharman around our school grounds and the staff and children were able to tell their stories in regard to this experience. Sharman was extremely proud of our children along with their families and she is hoping to make mention of the community spirit that was on display, next time she is at Parliament in Canberra during Question Time.



2. Community Stroll

As part of the consultation process for the Tallygaroopna Community Plan there will be a Community stroll and BBQ on Friday 16th March. This is your opportunity to speak to Council officers about anything in relation to the floods along with other suggestions in regard to improving the community.

3. Updated Policies

Information regarding the updated Bus Policy and soon to be endorsed Excursion Policy went home today. Please take the time to read these and reinforce these with your children. If you have any suggestions regarding the Excursion Policy don't hesitate to contact the office. We are currently working on a Parents Payment Policy and this will be made available to the school community in the next few weeks also.

4. Grounds Maintenance

Over the weekend, we were able to do some gardening and general cleaning out the front of the school. Unfortunately, we are still not allowed on the school oval until contamination test results are finalised as a result of the floods. We hope that children will only have to stay off the oval for only one more week. It won't be long until our school is back to its normal state.

5. Grade 5/6 Camp

This year, Lemnos Primary School are organising the Grade 5/6 Camp to Queenscliff. They are seeking a commitment by parents by the end of this week if children intend to attend this camp which will be held in Queenscliff in November. Could parents please fill out the note in this newsletter ASAP to confirm attendance. Unfortunately, this camp may clash with the Somers Camp. Places for this camp may be limited whereas we can guarantee attendance at the cluster camp at Queenscliff. Please take this into consideration when making a decision on this.

6. Easter Raffle

We will again be holding an Easter Raffle to **be drawn on Thursday 29th March**, with proceeds to go to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday appeal. We ask that all families donate an Easter Egg/chocolate/Easter goods to make up the raffle prizes. Raffle books will be sent home this week with each family (there will be more available at the Office). Tickets are 50 cents each - \$5.00 for the book (please write on both sides of the ticket). Tickets will need to be returned with payment by Wednesday 28th March so that a cheque can be sent to the RCH Appeal before the Good Friday Appeal.

7. Cluster Excursion

Unfortunately, because of the inclement weather last week, we had to postpone the Aquamoves Day last week – a small note was sent home on Wednesday last week. This has now been rescheduled to Thursday, 15th March. Students will be participating in various activities with students from Katandra West, Lemnos, Congupna, Zeerust, Currawa and Dookie Primary Schools.

The itinerary for the day is:

10 a.m.	Bus leaves for Aquamoves.
10.30 a.m.	Various activities and lunch.
2.45 p.m.	Bus home. The bus will return by 3.00 p.m.

The children must come to school in their school uniform. Students need to bring along their bathers, rashie (t-shirt), towel, hat and sunscreen (supplied) a plastic bag / beach bag for their wet clothing is essential. The children will be required to bring their own lunch, some snacks and a drink. Permission forms were sent home with the 1st March date. Most of these forms have been returned and we will carry forward these notes to the 15th March. If you have not yet returned your permission form and payment, please do so by the 14th March.
Cost for the Day - \$4.50

8. Prep Information

To subscribe to Prep for Parents, see: <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/aboutschool/prepare/prepforparents/default.htm>

Prep Photos for the Shepparton News were taken a couple of weeks ago and the feature will run in the Shepparton News on tomorrow, Wednesday 14th March.

9. Premiers Active Family Challenge

Take the Premier's Active Families Challenge and not only will you get active and have fun, you will also have access to an exclusive array of offers. Just by registering, you will get:

- # 20 free YMCA passes*
- # 15% off at Rebel Sport*
- # one free child Melbourne Aquarium pass*
- # one free child National Sports Museum pass*
- # a chance to win prizes including iPads, Rebel Sport vouchers and coaching clinics
- # weekly email tips on being active and eating healthy*.

You'll also help your school win up to \$1000 worth of sporting gear, sports packs and clinics. How do I get these goodies? Register for the Challenge before 19 March 2012. Look out for your family's Challenge registration card in the mail. Don't lose this card – as it entitles you to 20 free YMCA passes, 15 per cent off at Rebel Sport, one free child pass to the Melbourne Aquarium and one free child pass to the National Sports Museum.



10. Athletic Sports

The EGPSSA athletic sports will be held on Wednesday, 28th March at McEwen Reserve, Shepparton (Little Athletics track beside the Sports Stadium). Parents are requested to transport athletes to and from McEwen Reserve. Children will need to be dropped off no later than 9.00am and will report to Mrs Haberfield who will mark the roll. At the conclusion of the sports, parents are to collect them. This should be approximately 3.00pm. If families think they will have difficulty transporting their children to the sports please contact the school. In the event of inclement weather, the wet weather committee will meet at 8.00am, if there is going to be a postponement, this will immediately be announced on 3SR and 96.9FM and the principals of the schools will be contacted.

Children are asked to bring their own drink which will travel with them, or a plastic mug labelled with their name. Children may bring their own lunch or lunches and drinks can be purchased from the Canteen which is being catered by Kialla West PS. Children who are not competing in an event must bring along a note signed by a parent.

If any parents can help out in any way on the day of the sports could you contact the office ASAP. This year, we will use our new school marquee for the first time so there should be plenty of shade available. **Tallygaroopna PS will be running the Hurdles event at the sports along with Congupna PS. We are seeking helpers for the 9 Old Year Girls.**

School Uniform and School Hats are required for the day – sun cream can be provided on the day if needed.

HELPERS FOR THE ATHLETIC SPORT – Preferred Times

I can / cannot assist with the Hurdles event at the Athletics Sports.

All Day / Morning Only / Afternoon

Or 9.30 – 10.30am / 10.30am – 12 noon / 12.30 – 2.15pm.

I can / cannot assist with the 9 Year Old Girls Group

All Day / Morning Only

Signed.....

11. AASC Program

Aerobics is on a Monday and Hockey is on a Tuesday. **Both sessions start at 3.35pm and finish at 4.35pm.** Participating students will be given fruit for afternoon tea prior to the start of each session. If your child/ren are interested, please contact the office or fill out the form that was attached to the newsletter a couple of weeks ago – new forms can be collected from the office. Andrea Walker will be our school supervisor on Monday's and Jill McFarlane will fulfil this role on a Tuesday. The free icy pole voucher this week went to Jhett Cannon

Aerobics will not be held on the 12th and 19th of March because of the Labour Day Holiday and the Curriculum Day. Instead both sessions will be held on Wednesday's (14th and 21st March).

12. Homework Task Due – Grade 5/6

This task is due this Friday (EXTENSION FOR ALL STUDENTS) so please don't leave it until too late. We will gather data and make this available to the school community via the newsletter ASAP.

Task:

You are to interview someone who you consider to have a wealth of knowledge (Mum, Dad, Grandfather, Aunty or Uncle...etc). Your task is to ask them what they consider to be the 5 biggest events that have shaped their lifetime. For each one – do a quick summary of what the event was, when it happened and what actually happened. When we hear of all the events back at school, we will rank them in our own order and see if there is an event which is common. This task can be completed in any format – poster, powerpoint, paper, cue cards...etc.

Remember, that you need to name who you interviewed and have some understanding of what the event was. You will need to report back to the grade about your interview. **This was given to the Grade 5/6 students on Tuesday 21st February. Students may wish to interview a couple of people to share their questions if they find it difficult.**

DUE FRIDAY 16TH MARCH - A CURRENT AFFAIR TASK

13. Zone Sport

A couple of students have registered to participate in these trials which close soon. Students wishing to try out for Zone Basketball, Soccer, Netball and Football should contact Mr Brodie with details ASAP. As these trials are a means to possible selection at state level, we would expect representatives to be highly skilled.

14. Student of the Week

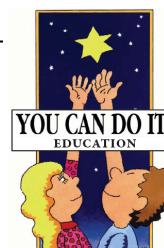
Term 1 – Week 5/6

Prep / 1 **Alicia Sprunt** for the confidence she shows in the classroom, as well as her number work and reading. Well done Alicia

Grade 2/3/4 **Stephanie Fleming** for the fantastic way she has been using her getting along skills in the classroom and the playground. Great effort Steph!

Grade 5/6 **Connor McNab** for the dedication and persistence that he has shown with his test results so far this term. Keep up the extra work – it is really paying off especially with your spelling!

All students received a certificate and also a free icy pole voucher to use this term.



15. Term Dates

Over the next few weeks, I will continue to update this section. Confirmed dates for TERM 1 are:

March 15th – Aquamoves Day
March 19th – Curriculum Day (no students)
March 22nd – Religious Education Begins
March 28th – Athletic Sports – date change
March 30th – Term 1 Finishes – 2.25pm
April 23rd – Zone Netball Trials
April 30th – Bike Ed. Program Begins
May 4th – Zone Basketball Trials
May 15th > 17th – NAPLAN Testing

March 16th – Community Stroll (BBQ)
March 21st – School Council & Finance
March 27th – Angel Flight Talk
March 29th – Munch N Crunch / Easter Raffle Draw
April 16th – Term 2 Begins
April 25th – Anzac Day Ceremony – 11am
May 2nd – Finance and School Council
May 11th – Jump Rope for Heart Day
May 18th – School Photos

Girls in Gr.3,4,5,6 interested in playing netball this year

If anyone is interested in playing in the Shepparton Netball Association 2012 competition, 9 and Under, 11 and Under, 13 and Under, could they please leave name, contact no. and D.O.B at school or contact Bev Montgomery on 0400914464. She cannot guarantee a team/teams, but Congupna P.S have shown some interest. In the past there has always been other schools or players looking for girls to make up a team. Registration night is Wednesday 21st March.

PARENTS CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WAS POSTPONED LAST WEEK. A NEW DATE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE SOON.

Easter Munch & Crunch

Parents' Club will be holding an Easter Munch & Crunch on Thursday, 29th March. The menu and cost will be as follows.

Option 1 – chips, Hot Cross bun and Easter egg - \$4.50

Option 2 – 2 fish fingers, chips, Hot Cross bun and Easter egg - \$5.00

Option 3 – 4 fish fingers, chips, Hot Cross bun and Easter egg - \$5.50

The Hot Cross bun will be served at recess. Please fill out the following form and return to school with payment as soon as possible.

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Easter Munch & Crunch 29th March 2012

Family Name:

Child: Menu Option: Cost:

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Orders and payment are due back by Tuesday, 27th March

Tallygaroopna Primary School Recipe Books

These can still be purchased from the School Office at \$12 each.

Northerners Soccer

Could any students wishing to play soccer this year please leave their name and date of birth at the School Office. Any enquiries to Donna McNab ph 58298 313

Northerners Football

Any children who would like to play school age football for the Northerners Football Club, please contact Ed Slavich on 0427 804 808 to leave your name and details.

U CAN DANCE

Starting in Numurkah

Term 2

Hip Hop

Ballet

Jazz

Tap

Cheerleading

www.ucandance.com.au

Ph: 0419398230

To express your interest please see our website and email: aliesha@ucandance.com.au

Game On - Multi Sport Fun

School Holiday Program

April 2, 3, 4, 5 or April 10, 11, 12, 13

Premier Soccer in conjunction with the **Shepparton Sports Stadium**, are running the popular 'Game On' school holiday program! This fun-filled program offers a variety of different sports and activities to all primary school aged children (5 - 12 years).

COSTS:	\$35 per child per day or \$120 for 4 days (Discounts apply for enrolling a sibling or friend)
TIMES:	Drop off from 8.30am Pick up by 4.00pm (late pick up fees apply)
REQUIREMENTS:	Children must bring a packed lunch, drink bottle, morning/afternoon tea and a hat.

Bookings are essential, so get in early to avoid disappointment!

Contact PREMIER SOCCER 0401 843 372 email: shepparton@premiersoccer.com.au
REGISTER ONLINE at www.premiersoccer.com.au
or drop in to the Stadium to pick up a registration form at
120 Numurkah Rd, Shepparton

Prep for Parents: Getting the Numbers Right

Maths is part of our everyday experiences. We need to know how much things cost and how much we have to spend. We need to know how things fit together and the weight, shape, size and area of objects, especially when packing things like school lunch boxes and bags. And we all need to know the direction to take to get to school, work or the shops and to estimate how long it will take us to get there. These are just a few examples of how we use our maths skills every day, whether we think of ourselves as being good at maths or not.

Just like learning to read, your child will have already started to develop the math skills needed as they experience the world around them. These skills will be further developed this year at school by manipulating and playing with objects that develop links between their immediate environment and everyday language.

Your child will also learn to count forwards and backwards between 1 to 20, whether they start counting at 1 or 11. They'll also build on their child care and kindergarten learning by participating in activities that help them identify and name different shapes (squares, circles, triangles) and to describe things in terms of bigger, longer, heavier or shorter. They will know terms like 'yesterday', 'today' and 'tomorrow' and be able to name the correct day (yesterday was Tuesday, tomorrow is Thursday). They'll also be asked to follow simple directions (clap hands, stamp left foot, step to the right) and they'll spend some time solving puzzles and grouping different shapes together (all blue squares and red circles).

Your child may not be able to do all this right now, but they will practice and develop these skills throughout the year.

Some of the things you can do at home to encourage your child to think about and explore maths include:

- ask your child to talk about or name the number of things in their picture story books
- go on a number hunt with your child; for example, get them to look for and identify cars with a number plate that has the number 2, or to look for and identify house or unit numbers with a 4
- collect a selection of different coloured everyday objects (pegs, blocks, beads or cutlery) and have your child to sort them into groups of the same colour. Alternatively, start a repeated pattern (blue, red and orange, blue, red and orange) and get them to continue the pattern
- encourage your child to count while they play – like how many times can they jump, bounce a ball or hear a particular sound
- when you are out and about, talk with your child about the size and shape of things they see. Get them to look for particular shapes and count how many times they see them – how many times can we see a circle, the number of windows in houses along your street, or the shape of your roof.

GV Health Foundation invites you to our **TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC**

WHAT WILL BE THERE...

Train rides, Face painting, Jumping
Castles, farm animals, Terry the Tap,
Captain Koala, Ditto the Bear
and much much more

BEAR CLINIC...

Children can have their bear's health
checked by a beary-special medical student

Sunday 25, March 2012

10am to 12pm

GV Health

Graham St, Shepparton

(on the lawn area adjacent to Children's Ward)

Entry price – Gold coin donation

**DON'T FORGET YOUR
TEDDY BEAR!**



For additional information please contact
the GV Health Foundation (03) 5832 2768
or email emma.burgess@gvhealth.org.au



Northerners U/14B Cricket – Premiers 2011/12

Congratulations boys on winning another grand final. We batted first and only made 71, but then we fielded and bowled the best we had all year and got Katandra all out for 58. Super effort by everyone involved. Thanks to Brendan Newbound for coaching and all the parents for their help and support each week.

GRADE 5/6 CAMP

My child..... will be attending the Grade 5/6 Camp to
Queenscliff in November.

Signed.....



An important cybersafety message

Our school has registered to
take part in eSmart, a guiding
framework for schools to manage
cybersafety and wellbeing.

eSmart will help teachers, students
and the whole school community
embrace the benefits of technology
and reduce our exposure to
cyberspace risks such
as cyberbullying, identity theft,
online sexual predation and
accessing or sending inappropriate
images and content.

Funded by the Victorian
Government, eSmart is an
initiative of The Alannah and
Madeline Foundation, a national
charity committed to protecting
children from violence.

Our work towards achieving eSmart
status will involve the whole school
community—for example, we'll be
integrating cybersafety into our
wellbeing policies, establishing clear
procedures to deal with incidents,
and delivering curriculum around
the smart, safe and responsible use
of technology.

We'll regularly update you on our
progress through this newsletter.
More information is also available
at www.esmart.org.au

